

U. S. OFFICIALS ARE MAINTAINING WATCH ON GENERAL HUERTA

Neither State Department Nor
White House Expected to
Receive Former Dictator.

Officials of the Government are awaiting with interest the coming visit to Washington of Gen. Victoriano Huerta, former Mexican dictator.

Although it is unlikely that Huerta will be received at the State Department, and even more unlikely that he will be given an audience at the White House, his announcement in New York that he holds himself in readiness to resume control of affairs in Mexico has convinced officials here that the former dictator will bear watching.

The announcement has confirmed their belief that Huerta is in the United States for the one purpose of enlisting support for a return of the old Cienfuegos regime in Mexico.

Navy officers are wondering whether Huerta will make his arrangements to be in Washington next Wednesday. It is so happens that April 21 will be the first anniversary of the landing of American forces at Vera Cruz, and the killing of nineteen United States sailors and marines by Huertista snipers.

Will Be Watched.
From the time Huerta gets here, it is expected, agents of the Federal Government will keep informed of his movements. It is practically certain that the Villa and Carranza agencies here will keep close watch on him. Allied with Huerta in his schemes, it is understood, are practically all the leaders of the old Cienfuegos crowd, including Federico Gamboa, who, as Huerta's foreign minister at the time of the taking of Vera Cruz, wrote the

sharp communications of defiance sent by Huerta to President Wilson. Fighting in the neighborhood of Matamoros, opposite Brownsville, Tex., against the American forces on this side of the International boundary, reported today to the War Department that while desultory firing continues with many bullets still falling on the American side they are not now falling in the town of Brownsville, and no damage is being done.

Is Largest Battle.

With the largest forces engaged on both sides since the days of Diaz the battle at Celaya between Villa in personal command of his own picked army, and Obregon, with most of Carranza's veterans, has developed into a conflict of the first magnitude. Losses on both sides already are heavy. Advice received by the State Department indicates that Villa has secured a material advantage. Part of his force has been so disposed that Obregon's retreat is imperiled. Two divisions have been cut off and are in grave peril.

Officials here say that if Villa wins a conclusive victory the problem of caring for foreign interests in Mexico City will be solved. With Obregon defeated in signal fashion Carranza's hold on Tampico, Tuxtepec, Matamoros and the west coast cities will be endangered; railway communication with the north will be restored, and Carranza's position at Vera Cruz may be rendered untenable.

In order to prevent any premature action which would involve this Government, Funston has been instructed that he must keep in touch with the War Department at all times and only essay such moves as are ordered from the White House.

WEALTHY FARMER, 70, HANGS SELF AT HOME

Smithburg Man's Body Found
Dangling From Rafter
By Wife.

HAGERSTOWN, April 15.—Martin L. Hoover, seventy years old, a wealthy retired farmer of Smithburg, committed suicide by hanging himself in the attic at his home today.

His body was discovered when his wife went upstairs to call him to breakfast. He was resting upon his knees, with the end of a rope about his neck, and attached to a rafter overhead.

Mr. Hoover had been suffering from nervous trouble, which is believed to have unbalanced his mind temporarily.

BOY ARRESTED FOR MENACING TEACHER

"Clutching Hand" Member With
Revolver Threatened to
"Do" Her.

NEW YORK, April 15.—A threat made by Dominick Pataccio, thirteen, who attends public school 196, that he would "do for" his teacher, Miss Catherine F. Seebeck, before noon, resulted in his arrest by the Children's Society and the discovery of a revolver in his pocket. He was found guilty of juvenile delinquency on the special charge of carrying a weapon by Justice Hoyt, in children's court, and remanded to the custody of a probation officer.

A day or two ago Pataccio bumped into Miss Seebeck in passing from one room to another and being somewhat the smaller of the two, was sent reeling. Upon resenting the soldier with a knife attack, he was sent to his seat. He was overheard making his threat against Miss Seebeck, and arrested by a Children's Society officer.

At the head of a list decorated around the edges with knives and pistols of picked men of the "Clutching Hand Club," his name was found. The club, he explained, was a gang in the neighborhood of 389 Broome street, where he lives.

Motorman Swoons as Trolley Dashes Along

GLOUCESTER, N. J., April 15.—Fifty passengers riding on an interurban trolley were thrown into a panic today when the motorman, John Keebler, twenty-eight, fell unconscious as the car was running at a fast speed into this city.

A division supervisor riding on the car stopped the uncontrolled trolley. Keebler was rushed to the Cooper hospital, in Camden, where he died shortly afterward. Hospital officials said he had been suffering with pneumonia.

Germany to Immortalize Commander of Submarine

BERLIN (via Wireless to Saxville, L. I.), April 15.—Commander Otto Weddigen, of the German submarine U-20, sunk by the British, will be immortalized as one of Germany's great war heroes.

AMERICAN TOBACCO CO. AGAIN ACCUSED

Twenty New York Dealers Try
to Force New Anti-Trust
Prosecution.

Twenty New York wholesale and retail tobacco dealers, representing the Independent Tobacco Jobbers and Independent Retail Tobacco Dealers' Associations, were before the Justice Department today to tell a story which some of them said they thought might furnish the basis for another anti-trust suit against the American Tobacco Company.

About April 16, 1914, the American, they said, ceased jobbing to the New York Metropolitan district through the Metropolitan Tobacco Company, and sold to all jobbers on an equal basis,

but it was asserted that January 16, 1915, it resumed selling exclusively through the Metropolitan.

For one thing, it was asserted, this forced the complainants to pay from 3 to 7 per cent more for goods.

A more serious complaint was that undue advantages were given to the Metropolitan.

For example, it was stated, when the American notified the Metropolitan that it was about to stop packing coupons with a certain brand of goods, the Metropolitan would load up on that brand, notify other jobbers at the last minute that it could supply such goods to them in limited quantities only and thus force retailers to buy the Metropolitan.

Villa Prisoners, 350 Strong, Are Slaughtered

LAREDO, Tex., April 15.—While official figures placed the Carranzista execution of Villista prisoners at Huastachita at 250, there was growing evidence today the victims slaughtered fully 350, including women camp followers and wounded men.

New details today said scores were mowed down before a Carranza machine gun squad. In justification the Carranzistas said they were retaliating for similar treatment by Villistas.

To Revive Fight On H. S. Societies

Eastern Home and School Association
Will Receive Report at
Meeting April 23.

The question of secret societies in the Washington high schools will be received when a committee of the Home and School Association of the Eastern High School reports on an inquiry it has been making for more than a year.

This report will be made at a meeting April 23, at the school building. A committee also will report on physical conditions of the schools.

The annual spring play on May 14 and 15 will take the place of the May meeting. George P. Tucker is president of the association, and Mrs. W. B. Hardy recording secretary.

Lectures on Park.

An illustrated lecture on the Yellowstone National Park is to be given Saturday evening in the University Club by William C. Alden, Ph. D., of the United States Geological Survey. Colored slides of unusual beauty are promised.

Acquired Virtue.

Ethel used to play a good deal in Sunday school, but one day she had been so good that the teacher said in praise:

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